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STATEMENT

Sir:

When this application was filed, applicants included in the filing papers a copy of the IPER and a copy of the references cited in the ISR. (See the attached Notice of Acceptance.)

The Examiner is requested to verify that those references were considered in relation to this application by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s) listing these references. For the convenience of the Examiner, a PTO 1449 form is attached listing the references cited in the ISR (now with the exception of US 4,271,149 which was cited by the Examiner in the recent office action).

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